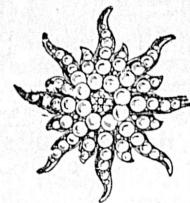


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AT A RIPE OLD AGE.

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 21.—Geo. Schoup, former United States senator from Idaho, died at his home here today in the hospital in his eightieth year.

BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 21.—At today's session of the Breeders' Association, which is being held here, addresses were made by Prof. C. T. Day, of the Ontario Agriculture College, Guelph, Ont., on "The Utility of Swine Breeding," and A. A. Grange, of New York, on "Development of the Young."

RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS.

New York, Dec. 21.—Announcement has been made by the New York state committee on award of the Rhodes' scholarships that qualifying examinations for New York state candidates will be held on January 17th and 18th next at the following places: Columbia University, New York city; Cornell University, Ithaca; Syracuse University, Syracuse; and the War Department of Education, Albany.

A Nanaimo Sensation

NANAIMO, Dec. 21.—(Special)—A sensation was sprung at a meeting of the license commissioners yesterday. Rev. Mr. Hughes, a leading temperance advocate, objected to the renewal of M. Wilkinson's license for the Central hotel, the well-known Commercial street hostelry, on the ground that gambling is conducted on the premises. He invited Wilkinson to plead guilty, saying that otherwise he would have a number of prominent citizens subpoenaed. He was sorry to disgrace leading families, but was determined to drive the case home. The board will make arrangements for a formal hearing tomorrow.

ONTON, Dec. 21.—London was this afternoon enveloped in a dense black fog, worse than at any time during the last two years. At times traffic was almost completely stopped, and the greatest care was necessary to avoid accidents, a number of which have already been reported. Roads were almost closed in the density increased and vehicle traffic in the most crowded section of the centre of London was completely stopped. Significantly, the fog was not so thick in the East End, and in the West End but within a circle of a mile, with Trafalgar Square as the centre, it was so opaque that foot passengers lost their way.

Some scenes were pitiful; some were extremely weird. There were instances in which women became hysterical, and even the police lost their sense of direction, and omnibus drivers became confused and drove on to the sidewalks, until finally all traffic was held up.

At the main crossings and on the streets leading thereto long shadowy lines of omnibuses, cabs and wagons loaded with Christmas packages stood motionless.

The most brilliant electric lights only served to make the darkness visible. Trolley bays were requisitioned and they did their best to hold the line.

The railroad trains were all delayed.

Queen Alexandra, who intended to leave London for Sandringham this evening, postponed her departure owing to the fog and the great difficulty of driving to the station from Buckingham palace.

THE PASSING OF STEAM.

New York, Dec. 21.—President W. H. Newell of the West Shore railroad has been authorized to make the necessary contracts for the preliminary work of introducing electric motive power on that railroad. It is understood that the powerful electric motors which were recently tested on the New York Central will be in use on portions of the main line within the next year. Connections are to be made at convenient points between the West Shore proper and the new suburban trolley system, which the Vanderbilts are developing in the centre of New York state.

SECRET CONFERENCE IN TORONTO  
AIMS AT BRINGING ABOUT  
CHURCH UNION.

QUEBEC, Dec. 21.—Two hundred and fifty employees of the Quebec government waited on the provincial cabinet yesterday and presented a petition praying for increased wages of 15 per cent. Premier Parent regretted that he was unable to give a favorable answer at present, but promised that just as soon as the government received better treatment from the federal government and allowed them an increase in provincial subsidies he would be pleased to take the petition into serious consideration.

FOUR CHURCH UNION.

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It has been officially intimated that the new terms of enlistment—nine years with the colors and three in the reserve—do not interfere with the extensions of service of soldiers serving under the old terms.

#### OFFICIAL CHANGE.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—W. H. D. Miller has resigned as manager of the transportation department of the Manufacturers' Association to accept a position with the William Davis Company. His successor will be John R. Marlow, assistant traffic manager of the C. P. R.

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## BRITISH MANUFACTURERS' METHODS.

J. B. Jackson, the hero of the South Oxford political scandal, for which he was rewarded by the Dominion Government with an appointment as Canadian Commercial Agent at Liverpool, has made a report to the Department of Trade and Commerce on the woollen industries of Leeds and Bradford. It is peculiarly appropriate that a wily political agent should apply practically his knowledge of the art of manipulating wool, but that is not the point we wish to make. Jackson points out, with considerable force, that Canadian woollen manufacturers (not of the political type) cannot hold their own against the British manufacturers, even with a 30 per cent. tariff, added to the transportation charges. The manufacture of woollen goods is one of the lines in which the British excel above all nations, and the efficiency of their methods apparently cannot be rivalled. The reasons for this are not far to seek. In the first place, the woollen centres of England have had long experience. In the second place, and mainly, they have perfected their machinery and adopted all the best and most modern methods. They know absolutely the ins and out of the trade in every part of the world, because woollen goods are in universal demand. They know all about every phase of the industry. As the wants in regard to the trade are the same at home as abroad, they know the requirements of every class of customer. If the same thing were applied to all kinds of manufactures Great Britain would still be easily ahead of the United States or any other nation. Take many kinds of machinery and implements, which we use in Canada, she has lost the market, not because of natural conditions, as would be suggested by Goldwin Smith or Free Trade economists, and not because she could not manufacture as cheaply as other countries, but because the British goods do not meet the special requirements of the consumer; and her manufacturers have been pigheaded enough not to adapt themselves to our needs and study American types. No matter what preference we give the British manufacturers in our market, that condition of exclusion will continue until they produce the kind of machine or implement we want and the way we want it. In the British Empire there are all the natural products there are in the United States for use as raw materials, yet they adopt the sensible methods suggested by the United States have succeeded, in studying the market in all its details and obtaining the most up-to-date machinery and the most skilled artisans in the world, and adopting the equally sensible policy propounded by Mr. Chamberlain, and there is no reason why they should not again lead the world.

## THE ATTACK ON THE McBRIDE ADMINISTRATION.

Taking their cue from Senator Templeman the Liberal newspapers throughout the Province are now directing an attack on the McBride Government. The "jub" of victory is on them. The Kootenay Mail goes so far as to blame the service of the Shuswap and Okanagan Railway, about which the Interior papers are complaining bitterly, on the local government and counsels the people affected to come down in a body and lay their case before the Premier and his colleagues, who it says is responsible for the condition of affairs complained of. This is but an instance of the methods employed.

Senator Templeman enters into an elaborate statistical statement, concerning the recent Dominion elections in the Province, to show that British Columbia is Liberal, and should be ruled by a Liberal government locally. What connection there is between Provincial and Dominion politics is not explained. We all know the Province returned seven Liberals to the House of Commons. We know that without the aid of statistics, we know, too, the reasons that account for it. British Columbia has always shown a peculiar genius for supporting the side that is in power at Ottawa, and in this instance there was, added to the prestige of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who for the time being, like Sir John Macdonald once was, is invincible, the building of a new transcontinental railway to dangle before the eyes of its electors. We know, too, that the elections in several constituencies were delayed for the purpose of influencing them by the general result. In one of these constituencies, at least, a Liberal-Conservative would have been elected by a large majority had the voting taken place on the same day as the others. We say, however, whatever the results were or might have been, they have no logical relation to the state of feeling in provincial matters, except on the assumption that the policy being pursued by Liberals, to make the provincial governments mere tools of the Ottawa kits, is correct. It frequently happens that a province returns a member on a Conservative local government and does quite the opposite in regard to majority of members of the House of Commons. In Ontario, for instance, that has been the rule almost from Confederation. In fact, it has been largely the rule throughout the whole of Canada. It is a state of affairs upon which in the past the country was to be congratulated, and in this, we believe, we shall have the entire agreement of the Liberals. It tended above all things to preserve the autonomy and independence of the provinces. Had Sir John Macdonald had a pliant and subservient following in Ontario at the time Oliver Mowat was fighting the battles of provincial rights, we should probably never had the series of political decisions clarifying the relations left doubtful under the B. N. A. Act. Sir John Macdonald and his legal advisers took one view of these and Oliver Mowat another, and it proved that, according to the views of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, the latter more correctly interpreted the spirit of our Federal Constitution. A provincial government which is in political sympathy with the Federal Government naturally does not wish to open up issues that will embarrass its friends at Ottawa. We have had a singular instance of this in the history of Manitoba. When John Norquay went to Ottawa to interview

the Dominion authorities about the grievances of Manitoba he was refused audience by Sir John Macdonald, largely on account of Norquay's dislike to force the issue. The Ottawa government presumed too much on the loyalty of the local government, and the consequence was defeat. Mr. Greenway went to Ottawa and secured for the province what Sir John denied to his friends. Mr. Fielding, in Nova Scotia, when agitating for better terms secured concessions for that Province which is quite possible would not have been granted had a Conservative Government been in power. A premier in sympathy with Sir John's government would not have gone to the extreme that Mr. Fielding did, because of a natural desire not to embarrass it.

The principle of preserving the independence of provincial administrations from political influences at Ottawa is an important one to observe. If a province has rights it may be depended upon that a government not in sympathy with Ottawa will go farther and fight harder than one that is in sympathy and the possibility of compromise based on political alliance is thus avoided. Sooner or later a province which has a just cause will win out, whether the government at Ottawa be opposed to the government or not. In opposition the local administration will not stop short of obtaining all that to which the province is justly entitled.

More particularly is the principle an important one to observe at the present time, when issues of great moment are at stake as between the two Governments. We refer to the considerations thus involved to emphasize the fact that the support given to the Dominion government at Ottawa by the people of British Columbia in the recent elections should not influence their decision in regard to local matters. On the other hand, it should cause them to be on their guard, and to weigh well the merits of the issues which belong peculiarly to the provincial province. We are prepared to discuss them apart from the general scheme of forces at Ottawa. That at best is an appeal to the lowest political motives which can actuate electors. It illustrates the argument of sheer brute force of political majorities. As an argument it is rather a warning to the people of British Columbia to preserve its political independence as a province. The attempt to capture the local Legislature for the Liberals is purely and simply an effort to strengthen the forces at Ottawa, already too strong for the people's welfare. It should be resisted and prevented in every way possible. We have already had several very striking instances locality of the arrogance of the leaders of a party under the stimulus of victory. With a Legislature and Government over James Bay under the sole autocratic influence the latter would develop an attitude of the uncrowned king. Basism in British Columbia has gone quite far enough already to suit the majority of people. Even Liberals are getting tired of it.

Casper Whitney, in the Outing, describes the great success which has accompanied the breeding of reindeer for domestic purposes in Alaska. It is proving, as in Lapland, to be a most useful animal in many ways, and there does not seem to be any reason why it should not be introduced into the Canadian Yukon and the northern part of British Columbia. In fact, the reindeer in Alaska promises to become a very profitable industry.

Calgary, unlike Kamloops, is not afraid of having a sanitarium for the treatment of tuberculosis in its midst. Dr. Ernest Wills has erected one there and the Calgary press speaks highly of the results. It says that many of the patients treated are following their vocations in life in perfect health and strength. The open air and other approved treatments are followed. Consumption is now losing many of its terrors. It all depends upon facilities for the proper kind of treatment.

Father Morice is to be congratulated upon his success in connection with his history of the northern interior of British Columbia. It is the first book of the kind in the Province that has gone into a second edition, which is now in the press. The edition will contain a finely executed portrait of the author as a frontispiece, two important misprints have been corrected, and a few minor additions have been made. The book has been very favorably received everywhere. Its value consists in the fact that it is almost wholly the result of original research in a new field and in the great industry and care that have been exercised by the author.

It is probable, says the Oregonian, that 25 more States will be added to the Union. Oklahoma and Indian Territory are to be united and added as one State, Arizona and New Mexico as another. Oklahoma contains 39,030 square miles, and Indian Territory 31,400. Arizona and Mexico have together an area of 235,600, or nearly as large as Texas. Oklahoma and Indian Territory are estimated to have a population of over one million. Their combined population at the time of the last census was slightly under 800,000; that of Arizona and New Mexico slightly over 300,000. Alaska will be the last of the Territories of the United States, and the Oregonian thinks that it will not be long before it will also be erected into a State.

Attention is being called to the striking parallels exhibited in the cases of the celebrated Madame Humbert and the almost equally celebrated Mrs. Chadwick. Neither of them, it is pointed out, is at all like the conventional adventures. Neither of them could be said to have any pretensions to physical beauty. Both of them succeeded by very much the same kinds of methods in obtaining immense sums of money from capitalists on fictitious securities. Both spent their money lavishly. The only material difference seems to be in the fact that Madame Humbert had many accomplices and Mrs. Chadwick played a "lone hand" throughout. The latter has the additional distinction of being a Canadian, a country which has produced few of that class of adventuresses or adventurers.

Mr. Joshua Kingham denies that he stated to Mr. A. B. Fraser, or to any person else, that he was in favor of "firing" Mr. E. Crow Baker as secretary of the Plotage Board, because he was a Conservative, or that he declared himself in favor of the spoils system in politics. Mr. Fraser points to the statements he made under oath before Special Commissioner Elliott, and adds that Mr. Kingham had the opportunity to take the stand and deny the allegations. It is untrue, but failed to do so. So far as the Colonist is concerned, it simply commented on the evidence given by Mr. Fraser, which, as stated by that gentleman, was uncontradicted, and drew the only conclusions deducible

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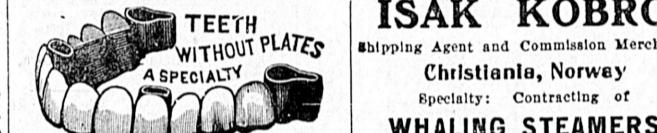


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Do you remember the little things that gave us so much pleasure when we were young? With the zeal we sit down to the table over our play was over and eat the mush and milk our mother put before us. But as we get older it takes more to give us pleasure. Mush and milk no longer tastes good to us, and our digestion may be impaired. The best advice we can give to such a person is to tone up the stomach with Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is nature's most valuable and health-giving agent—made with the best of plants. It contains all herbs and bark, and is the concentration of nature's vitality as found in the fields and woods. This remedy has a history which speaks well for it because it was given to the public by Dr. R. V. Pierce, founder of the Invalid's Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., nearly forty years ago, and has since been sold by druggists in ever increasing quantities. Some medicines, tonics, etc., have been taken for a long time for a year, then disappear from the public attention, but Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has proved such a reliable blood remedy and tonic that it often enjoys the confidence of several generations in a family, and its increased sales year by year coming from the recommendations of those who have tried it, prove its lasting merit, so that every bottle bears the stamp of public approval. Every other blood-medicine contains alcohol, but Dr. Pierce guarantees that no alcohol is contained in his "Medical Discovery."

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Men's Moho Gloves, Wool Lined, Two Clasps.

At \$1.50

Fine Quality of Men's Moho Gloves.

At \$1.75

Men's Kid Gloves, Wool Lined. A specially good Glove for Driving.

Other Kid, Wool-lined Gloves, 75c. to \$2.50.

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Fur-lined Moho Gloves.

## A New Lot of Hand Bags

In leather. Colors tan, French grey and black, with strap, \$1.00 to \$4.50.

Others of Suede and Silk to \$1.75 each.

## Framed Pictures

SECOND FLOOR.

New designs in Weathered Oak Frames.

## Gift Things from the Men's Store

House Coats, Bath Robes, Dressing Gowns, Overcoats, Cravats, Mufflers, Hose Supporters, Suit Cases, New Colored Shirts, Fine Sweaters and Cardigans, Silk and Fine Wool Underwear, Suits and Hats, Fancy Wool Vests.

## Dolls

At 15c

Kid Body Dolls, Rag Dolls, Santa.

At 25c

Special value in Kid Body Dolls.

Other prices in Kid Dolls, 40c., 75c., \$1.00 to \$8.75 each.

Our famous Baby Blanche Dolls, full jointed bodies, fine bisque heads with moving eyes and long curly wigs, \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.75, \$5.00, \$6.75, \$9.50, \$13.50 and \$17.50.

Indestructible Dolls, 25c.

## Furniture

Morris Chairs at \$19.50. Special Weather Oak Hall Pieces, Mirrors in wood.

Fancy Boxes—25c. to 50c.

NAIL SCISSORS—30c. to \$1.00.

CURLING IRON HEATERS—25c. \$1.00.

RUBBER SPONGES—50c. to \$1.50.

MASSAGE BRUSHES AND ROLLERS—35c. to \$1.00.

DRESSING COMBS—25c. to \$1.00.

RUBBER GLOVES (for housework and gardening)—\$1.50 pair.

CHOCOLATES—Lowney's, Webb's and Cadbury's, in Fancy Boxes, from 10c. to \$2.50.

FANCY SOAPS—25c. to \$3.00.

SOAP BOXES—25c. to 50c.

NAIL SCISSORS—30c. to 75c.

HAND GLASSES—25c. to \$2.00.

ITALIAN VIOLET WATER—30c. a bottle.

A selection of the most popular classes, artistically made, combining beauty and moderate cost. Printed from clear type on good paper and half bound in English vellum cloth, with designs in silver and floral sides, reproduced in natural colors. Gold top, silk ribbon marker and each volume boxed. 16mo. Price 25c.

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This elegant holiday stock of Choate perfumes that we are now offering is the best selected and choicest we have ever had.

**In Fancy Cases For Presentation**

The patterns of our importation of Atomizers are especially pleasing. Inspect them.

**CYRUS H. BOWES**  
CHEMIST,  
98 Government St., Near Yates St.

# Forget Him Not!

YOU have only three days in which to make your purchase. The sooner you do it the better, because now our stocks are at their best. Our stock is immense, and complete in every sense of the word, and in splendid trim for the holiday trade.

## For Xmas Gifts

We submit the following list to select from—

**FOR MEN**

GLOVES  
HANDKERCHIEFS  
EVENING DRESS PROTECTORS  
CRAVATS  
UMBRELLAS  
NIGHT ROBES  
PYJAMAS  
BATH ROBES  
HOUSE COATS  
SILK HATS  
OVERCOATS

**FOR MEN**

CHRISTIE'S HATS  
HAND BAGS  
SUIT CASES

**FOR WOMEN**

GLOVES OF THE BEST MAKERS  
HANDKERCHIEFS  
PURE LINEN, fancy and plain.  
HOUSE RUGS, \$4 to \$30 each.

We have new and exclusive designs of these goods, especially designed for the holiday season.

## FINCH & FINCH

HATTERS AND HABERDASHERS  
57 GOVERNMENT ST.

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\$100 cash and \$25 per month will buy a new modern Bungalow in James Bay. Sewer light, etc. Much better than paying rent.

**B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd.**

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## SAFETY RAZORS RAZORS

WHAT IS MORE  
USEFUL?

Singly or in pairs, in Ivory and Black Handles, nicely cased, \$1.00 to \$3.50.

**New Gillette Safety Razors**

Everything in Shaving Outfits—Strips, Brushes, Cups, etc.

At FOX'S, — 78 Gov't Street.

## BUSINESS LOCALS.

Williams & Co. for Dress Shirts.

"The Mystic Spring" ready for mailing at Hibben's.

Cutlery at Cheapside.

Pottery Novelties continue to arrive each day, the latest being some very decorative plaques with scenes from David Copperfield and Coaching Days and Coaching Ways, in a charming blue print. The price is only 35c. each at Weiler Bros.

Carving Sets at Cheapside.

## Why Pay Rent

When you can buy a nice cottage in Victoria West, \$200 cash? Remainder, monthly payments of \$20 each.

**Heisterman & Co.**

## LOCAL NEWS.

Foresters' Meeting.—A meeting of Court Columbia, No. 834, C. O. B., will be held in Sir William Wallace hall this evening at 8 p. m. All members are requested to attend.

An "At Home."—E. H. Russell, B. A., entertained a number of his pupils and friends to an at home last evening, where after an elaborate spread and three cheers for himself, the party broke up after having spent a very pleasant evening.

H. G. Robinson wishes to notify the public who are interested that the last lectures and exhibitions and last chance to buy Marconi shares at par will be given on Wednesday afternoon and evening. This will be the last chance to see the most wonderful invention of the age. On Thursday there will be a special demonstration. Mr. Robinson will be at Institute Hall daily from 10 to 4 to explain the workings, etc.

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**Along The Waterfront**

**Minnesota Will Arrive Today—Preparations to Meet the Liner.**

**Aorangi Expected Today From Australia Yangtsze Comes for Cargo.**

Elaborate preparations are being made at Seattle for the reception of the new liner Minnesota, which is expected to arrive here this afternoon from San Francisco. The steamer Otter has been chartered to convey a party of Victorians to the steamer on her arrival. The steamer will take the Chinese crew, which has been awaiting here, to William Head, where the Orientals will be put on board the vessel. Then the Otter will return to the port the guests of the Minnesota's agent, Mr. K. J. Burns. The Board of Trade, the Chamber of Commerce and many representative business men have been invited to inspect the steamer. When the Minnesota arrived at San Francisco Captain Truebridge had an uncomfortable few minutes owing to an earthquake shock which occurred coincident with the arrival off San Francisco. Captain Alex. Swanson was the pilot who brought the Minnesota into port at the Golden Gate. The weather was thick, and preferring to take no chances with J. J. Hill's \$3,000,000 floating hotel, Swanson decided to come to an anchor until morning. Eleven fathoms of water the lead line showed, and pilot and skipper were at the sleepers were aroused by a rumbling noise to the roar of which the big liner trembled and shook.

Before the shaking ceased Swanson had the Minnesota's crew heaving leads in all directions and was relieved but still mystified to learn that his judgment had not erred, and that the bottom was still eleven fathoms below the surface.

"Guess we swing against a wreck, captain," said Swanson, "or a mighty big whale has been massaging himself with the kelp."

Captain Truebridge said nothing, but he was plainly worried, and neither skipper nor pilot cheered up until at dawn, when they were told of the earthquake.

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NOT A FAILURE.

Allan Line Turbine Vessels Are Not Satisfactory.

The agents of the Allan line at Glasgow deny the statement from Glasgow December 5, to the effect that the trials of the Allan line steamers, Victorian, the largest turbine vessel, will have been so disappointing as to raise serious doubts among the Clyde ship-builders as to the value of turbines in the case of large ships. The officials also deny the statement made in a Glasgow despatch of December 5 that the construction of the turbine engines intended for the new Cunard line steamers has been suspended pending developments.

THE LINE.

Aorangi—Expected Today—Kanagawa Maru Leaves Yokohama.

Steamer Aorangi is expected to arrive today from Australia, via Brisbane, Suva and Honolulu. The Aorangi left Honolulu for Victoria on Wednesday last. Yesterday the steamer Kanagawa Maru sailed from Yokohama for this port and Seattle. She has a full cargo of Oriental freight, including a ship of about 100 tons for Victoria. Her passengers, principally Chinese and Japanese, number 200. The steamer Empress of Japan will follow the Kanagawa, sailing for Victoria tomorrow. Being a faster vessel than the Kanagawa, the Empress is expected to be the first to arrive. The steamer Keeman, which sailed from Monday, is also on the way from Yokohama to Victoria. The steamer Iyo Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line is now about half way to the Orient from Seattle and Victoria. It is expected that another N. Y. K. liner will follow the Kanagawa Maru about the first week in January, as the Japanese line is anxious to have its steamers resume service on their old schedules. This provides for a fortnightly sailing.

SOUND SHIPPING.

Invermark to Load Cargo at Blakeley—William Bowden at Port Hadlock.

Port Blakeley, Dec. 20.—The British bark Invermark, Capt. Golderstone, arrived in port this afternoon from Tacoma to take on a cargo of lumber from the Port Blakeley Mill Company. She is under charter to J. J. Moore & Co., to carry cargo to Fremantle. The Invermark arrived on the Sound November 28th from Port Los Angeles with about 1,500 tons of cement from Antwerp for Balfour, Guthrie & Co., which she discharged at Tacoma.

Winslow, Dec. 21.—The American schooner William Bowden will tow to Port Hadlock today to load a cargo of about 900,000 feet of lumber for Mathews, she having her charter for that voyage by Parrott & Company, of San Francisco. The Bowden is commanded by Capt. Peterson, and has been in port here since the 2nd of this month, having arrived on that date from K. Chou.

MARINE REPORT.

Tatoosh, Dec. 21.—1 p. m.—Cloudy, west wind, 15 miles; inward, steamer Jeanie S. A. m. 4 p. m.—Cloudy, southwest, 20 miles; outward, a ship in tow, bound in, 8 p. m.—Southwest, squally; inward, ship Italia for Clallam Bay.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Yantze of the China Marine line left Tacoma at midnight for this port. She will arrive this morning to load salmon and lumber for Japan. Steamer Minnesota is expected to reach port at noon today.

Capt. Jordison, the well known pilot of the Boston Steamship Company, arrived from Seattle yesterday to pilot the new liner Minnesota up the Sound.

The Alaska Steamship Company's Dolphin, which has been laid up for several weeks undergoing minor repairs and a general overhauling, is ready to resume service. Captain John Johnson resumes command of the Dolphin, which will sail towards the close of the week for Southeastern Alaska or ease."

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Every One Dollar's worth of goods purchased during December entitles you to one chance in the contest:

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Private sale during the day, and auction every evening at 8 o'clock.

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The Old Reliable.**Lemp's "Extra Pale"**  
The finest American Beer ever imported to this country.**White Rock,**

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**"Gold Lion" Cocktails,****Red Raven Splits,**

**TELLS WINNIPEG  
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**D. B. Bogle is Interviewed by  
a Winnipeg Free Press  
Reporter.**

D. B. Bogle, ex-editor of the Victoria, B. C., Colonist, is in the city and is going into business as a broker in connection with an oil company which he is interested, says the Manitoba Free Press. Mr. Bogle is one of the pioneers of southeastern British Columbia and has been a strong advocate of the oil-producing industry there as an editor and promoter. He is an enthusiast with regard to the petroleum field which exists in the extreme southeastern section of the province and the southwestern portion of Alberta. In conversation with a Free Press reporter he said: "I was in southeastern British Columbia before there was a shipping line in the country and have traveled about or horsepower over the routes of nearly every line of railway now running in the country. I have seen oil fields from nothing to from fifteen to twenty millions a year. Moreover, in spite of all that it has suffered from ill-considered legislative experiments and the downright rascality of promoters, mostly, I am glad to say, outsiders, I have never lost faith in it. There is a mineral country there which will equal Colorado, Montana, Idaho and California combined. But great as it is, it is not helped by the coal, iron and petroleum resources of the east, and in which Alberta as well as British Columbia participates. I was all through the western oil field of the Flathead valley this summer. It is hard to believe that such a territory lies practically virgin anywhere on the North American continent in this era of rapid development. It comprises one of the greatest assets of Western Canada today. Why, look at California. California has been a gold-producing state for over half a century, yet in seven years its oil production equaled its gold production. And in California they are working on a low-grade fuel oil with a sulphur base, worth anywhere from \$1.30 to \$2.00 a barrel. The oil belongs to the south of the great coal areas, with which it is undoubtedly related. At the present time there is on the Canadian side only one producing well and the product of that is not yet marketable for lack of transportation facilities. But how is it going to be within the next year or two with an unlimited and constantly appreciating market for high-grade illuminating oil? We are on the eve of one of the greatest industrial movements ever seen in Western Canada in relation to oil products. The oil business is properly referred to Winnipeg. Winnipeg is the natural centre for the refining and distribution of oil through Western Canada and for the manufacture of its various products. United States capitalists are already investigating the field and acquiring rights there. But what between the Canadian bounty and the wide Canadian market growing up this oil territory can be prevented from becoming a mere source of raw material for the manufacturers of the United States, provided we are ourselves alive to our opportunities and do not permit them to be fished from us."

**A COLONY'S GROWTH.**

Seattle Post-Intelligencer. On Sunday last the Victoria Colonist celebrated its forty-seventh birthday. This is a great age for a newspaper on the Northern Pacific coast. For half a century, lacking but three years, the Colonist has been the exponent of the public opinion of our northern neighbour. As it points out in its anniversary editorial, not one out of each 500 of the present population of British Columbia was there when the Colonist first saw the light of day.

When the Colonist was born, British Columbia and Washington were isolated by themselves up on the northern portion of the Pacific coast. The railroads had not yet spanned the continent, and water transportation was practically the only method by which either the colony or the territory could be reached. There was a warm and cordial intimacy between the people of the colony and territory in those days, which has not died away.

The Colonist has seen many wonderful changes. When we began there were two provinces, British Columbia and Vancouver Island, under one governor, Sir James Douglas, who directed the affairs of each with a strong and able hand, doing much toward developing the resources of the colonies. Many splendid roads built under his administration still testify to the efficiency of his work. Since then the two colonies have become united in one; the Dominion of Canada has been formed, into which British Columbia finally entered; the great Canadian railway system has been extended from ocean to ocean; and British Columbia has become one of the great states of a possible new nation.

In remembrance of the earlier days of neighborly intimacy when both were isolated in great part from the rest of the world, the older residents of the state of Washington have always taken a warm interest in the welfare of our northern neighbor and a pride in the growth and development of a state with resources identical with our own and peopled by men of the same blood and traditions. As is always the case with neighbors, there have been matters of friction between us, some of them still remain; but they do not operate seriously to impair the real good feeling and sound friendship which we have for each other.

British Columbia is an empire in itself. It has resources developed and to be developed greater than those of some of the proudest states in Europe. It is building up cities which will be marks of the world's commerce; rivals to our own cities, it is true; but rivals in the same sense that two brothers doing business on the same street are rivals. The trade rivalry need not and should not impair personal friendship.

The Colonist has witnessed a wonderful growth in the colony in which it was planted so many years ago, and it

has kept itself well abreast of the growth of the community which it has served so long and so well. May it continue to do so for generations to come.

**FREE CLOTHES BRUSHES.**

Christmas is coming and B. Williams & Co., the Yates street clothiers, are to the front with an Xmas gift of a good clothes brush for every customer. These brushes are worth 25¢, each and are guaranteed to last for five years. Our display of Xmas goods consisting of neckwear, fine suspenders, fine gloves, fur-trimmed mufflers, fine stockings, bags, suit cases, valises, Christy hats, smoking jackets, dressing gowns, cardigan jackets, regatta and dress shirts, cuff links and collar buttons, etc., etc., made by B. Williams & Co. this season is unsurpassed by any firm in the province. The show windows and the interior of the store have been tastefully decorated, and it is truly astonishing the number of articles suitable for Xmas gifts which are here displayed. Raincoats, overcoats, suits and pants are still being sold at a discount of 20 per cent, or one-fifth off for cash. Boys' suits, reefers, raincoats and overcoats are also being sold at a discount and men's and paper pants are now with remodeled that any of the above articles make very nice Xmas gifts.

Messrs. B. Williams & Co. are showing 1,000 dozen neckties for the Xmas trade at prices which sell them on sight and liberal discounts are allowed when paid by the dozen.

Purchasers of Xmas gifts should visit this big clothing and furnishing store, as a useful present is always appreciated and shows the good sense of the person by whom presented.

B. Williams & Co. will keep their store open until 10 p.m. each evening this week to accommodate Xmas shoppers.

FROM  
THE BRITISH COLONIST  
1859.

December 18.

The Santa Cruz arrived on Thursday evening from Langley, B. C., with 529 passengers. Part were taken on at Langley, and the remainder at Sempach. Those from Sempach crossed over from Langley whilst the river was frozen. Fraser and Harrison rivers are still open. The Fraser was still ashore, and steamship Empress was unable to pass until below the mouth of the Harrison river. She is now at Langley. Her bottom was worn through by the ice. A couple of new planks are to be put in, when she will commence running again. Great suffering has been experienced by the ice, and coming down. A party of 120 came down from Fort Yale in canoes until they struck the ice below the mouth of Harrison river. They then started for Langley overland, supposing it 15 miles distant. The distance was greater. A trail had to be made over ice, and a distance of 10 miles of snow, made sloughs waist-deep. The cold was intense and the underbrush thick and passed with difficulty. They had only one day's provisions. They were three days without provisions. Many were names unknown were frozen to death. Completely exhausted, many sat down to die. Mr. Bryant, late superintendent of Lillooet trail, gave up four miles from Langley and advised his son to go on. They also gave out and went further on. They are continuing to the number of deaths. One was capsized at the mouth of Harrison river and four out of five persons drowned. The survivor, who was carried to Langley, will probably lose his feet. Gold dust was plenty amongst the miners.

Provisions High and Scarce up the River. Mr. Bryant informs us that the country is plenty in the winter country—from \$5 to \$10 per month. The trail is completed to the hand. The trail is completed.

A. A. Harris & Co. 35 FORT STREET.

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AGENTS' GERMAN ALLIANCE ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK; assets, \$12,074,000.00. Fire Insurance Written.

Mellor Bros., Ltd., 70 Fort street, in order to unload themselves of a portion of their large and varied stock of fine wallpapers, have decided to cut their present prices right in two. The stock consists in part of some of the highest grades, and will no doubt afford an opportunity to many to treat themselves to a New Year's gift of the most tangible nature, and that will shed a ray of brightness, newness and comfort over the whole household.

Dean & Hiscocks' for Christmas Specialties.

Don't forget to supply yourself with a pair of nut crackers for Christmas. We have some very good ones at 25¢, others at 50¢; Corkscrews, 20¢ to 40¢; Children's Knife, Fork and Spoon, 25¢; \$2.25; Children's Knives and Forks, 15¢. Other things, too, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 30 Douglas street.

Williams & Co. for Dent's Dogskin Gloves.

Comic Xmas Cards, Victoria Book and Stationery Co., Limited.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., December, 1904. Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

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Klugston, 60x120, near Govt. buildings.....750

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Cottage and lot, Taunton street; easy terms .....500

Wallace street, 50x120.....225

Simeon street, 60x120.....400

Michigan, corner lot .....550

Harrison street, 50x150.....500

Herald street, 60x120.....700

Langford, Victoria West, 60x130.....325

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The Oregonian.  
The whole world is a Christmas tree,  
And stirs its many candles; be;  
Oh! sing a carol joyfully.  
The year's great feast in keeping.  
—S. N.

The approaching holidays with their delightful secrets, make the thoughts of all turn lovingly toward presents, and of gratitude to him that gave the wiles this season, so many tempting the heart.

"The earth has grown old with its burden of care," writes Phillips Brooks, "but at Christmas it always is young."

Soon the Christmas tree will be purchased, and the children will beg for one, reaching to the ceiling, that it may be large enough to be decked with hundreds of popcorn icicles, festoons or tinsel and multitudinous candies.

What a joyful, merry time it will be giving and receiving gifts! Merriam says that it indeed may be more blessed to give than to receive, but when the former luxury is not within one's honest reach, it is blessed, too, to receive from those one thoroughly loves.

Gifts for sweethearts, parents or children are with them, and the exquisite articles for dainty feminine persons would fairly dazzle one's eyes.

Decorations Are at Hand.

Wagons loaded with mistletoe, holly and other greens are making their appearance, and one has a splendid assortment from which to select holiday decorations.

"Here comes holly that is so gentle. The place upon is his intent."

Allahuah!

Whoever against holly do cry,

In a rope shall be hung full high.

Allahuah!

Whoever against holly do sing,

He may weep and his hands wring.

Allahuah!"

Large and small will wear a bit of green these days, and join in the re-green.

"So now is come our joyful'st feast;

Let every man be jolly;

Each room with ivy leaves is dressed

And every post with holly."

A well-known shopper has rightly said that the wise woman makes her selections for the holidays when opportunity presents itself, and thus is saved the inconvenience inseparable from shopping in the busy season. In this way she is the gainer, for she often secures some unique little article not duplicated later on.

For women there are new driving gloves with gauntlets, hand-made bangles, dainty mirrors, powdered boxes made in the form of silver cigarette holders, dainty petals almost smoothed in lace and case, and bewitching lingerie, Sevres cups mounted in sterling silver, and elegant pincers.

Limitations of the large automobile bays come in royal blue, gray, dark green and bright red. These are used for small change or for holding the handkerchief.

Wondrously beautiful are the Peggy from Paris bags, of silk or leather, with mountings and double leather handles. Most of these are made of flowered brocade, mounted in white leather, these being very attractive party bags.

Hatpins a Neat Present.

Jeweled hatpins are having quite a vogue. For the athletic girl are pins showing miniature cleeks, drivers of gold and the automobile pin. Pins with tiny sprays of mistletoe are very charming for the dainty maiden.

Useful additions to the dressing-room table paraphernalia are vinaigrettes or cut glass, with top of porcelain, artistically ornamented, and the hatpin holders. A booklet of inexpensive stock-pins makes a delightful present, one that is sure to fill the heart of the recipient with joy. Then there are flat and circular blotter frames, calendar frames, memorandum books, telephone and address books, diamond-shaped boxes for jewelry, semi-circular for linen neckwear, heart-shaped for buttons, deep, oblong for gloves, and square boxes for handkerchiefs.

lace will figure prominently in Christmas gifts, fichus being made of embroidered lawn, lavishly trimmed with lace. Puritan tuckers are lovely in the extreme.

Silk stockings in lace and open-work effects are very delicate in design, peculiar shades of blue, lavender, green and pink being popular. Scarlet silk hose have squares of valenciennes lace over the instep, embroidered with forget-me-nots and wee rosebuds. Gauze hose are shown in every color and in quaint designs.

Silk slippers and shoes are extremely dainty: the plain satin slipper being now a rarity. Pink moire slippers have small wreaths of flowers, such as forget-me-nots, pansies and lilies of the valley. Black satin shoes or slippers are adorned with wheat heads and gold thread cobwebs. One of the most charming accessories of a woman's toilette is the fan, some of the prettiest being composed of black gauze, inlaid with flower patterns cut out of spangled white lace.

Collars for young Misses.

Turnover collars for the young miss are embroidered in the colonial sampler stitch in wall of Troy, Roman key and other old-fashioned conventional patterns. With these are worn narrow sash ties in fantastic shades.

Ribbons were never more beautiful. For evening costumes are flower garlands of exquisite ribbons, while hair ornaments are fashioned from ribbon flowers or ribbon bows, flower fringes and ribbon not being the most charming of the novelties.

For the winter cases, gloves, veils, etc., are heavy satins broadcaded in blushed lace designs.

For Christmas gift making are satin broadcaded ribbons in holly design for cov-

ering scented dress hangers, trunk sachets. Shadow silks are heavy, superb in quality, with a flower design shading from light to dark.

Teacups will be favorite gifts this season, some of the china stores showing exquisite cups with floral emblems and monograms. Diamond and crescent shapes are popular, but the cups come in all sorts of odd sizes and shapes. The favorite is the half-up and half-down, decorated with dots of color, strung together with red berries and the words, "Ring in the merry Christmastide." Then there is the pretty pause cup, with the quotation, "Pains for thoughts."

Some of the most attractive card cases are white moire antique silk, with mounts of French nickel or gilt, the most expensive having ornaments of small jewels.

Things Men Like.

For men there are new handkerchiefs, suspenders, socks gayer than ever, and mufflers in pale pastel colors in crepe de chine.

Do not forget that men are well pleased with gifts as cravat holders made of leather, handson sachet boxes of silver lined with sachet, laundry bags of silk or flowered lace, cigar cases made of leather, pipe racks, trays for dresser, telephone slate of leather, pillows in new and old stiches, small college bags, embroidered suspenders, medicine chests, card holders, coat hangers, photograph frames, new smoking jackets and slippers.

Endless are the things for the house—new furniture, musical instruments, marvelous rugs, fine designs for furniture, draperies and mural decorations, fine linen, marble statuary, potteries of all kinds and beautiful linen.

Kris Kring has marvelous toys on display at the various stores, the 1904 dolls being wonders. As someone has said, "Yearly hardly anything in the way of an invention for practical use appears that is not duplicated in miniature, in a toy, and such things as have no resemblance to these practical devices are made only to catch or amuse the eye are relegated to the use of babies."

Automobiles for children are propelled by foot power and steered by a wheel resembling the steering wheel of a large article. Locomotive engines and trains are propelled by clockwork, and wooden boats, miniature models of famous racing yachts are to be found in large numbers. Rag dolls no longer have a stupid expression, for they are so painted to give the fair complexion which is the chief charm of the most costly doll.

Where Baby's Fancy Fastens.

The 20th century baby also has a large number of articles especially prepared for it by good point Nish. There are the papier mache poly-poly, the musical rattle, the punch doll, with music doll inside; the punch rattles, frogs, gold fishes, lobsters and swans in natural colors.

In looking at art wares, one finds many novel desk sets, such as inkstands in the form of silver or bronze sphinx.

Colonial and empire styles are shown in candlesticks of gold and silver. Loving cups come in innumerable variety of designs and sizes. Those built on colonial lines have satin finish and stand on ebony pedestals. Hammered copper loving-cups are lined with gold or silver.

Novel fruit baskets come in dull silver in the form of blossoms, which are decidedly unique.

In the gold and silversmith's art is everything attractive. The latest utensil for eating ice cream is a cross between fork and spoon, the short-rounded bowl having three tines. A new nut pick has a bar of silver, surmounted by a tiny squirrel. The fork for sweetbreads and terrapin has a short, spoonlike bowl, and the berry fork has three times an inch and a half long attached to a short handle.

Rose Jars in Demand.

Rose jars in china and silver are displayed in many novel designs, and they bid fair to be much in demand, bringing to memory the following lines:

"Oh, the fragrance of the rose jar, with its dead and buried treasure!"

How it sets upon the stillness of the twilight of the room.

Till you seem to touch her fingers—till you almost seem to see her.

Coming toward you from the mystery, the silence and the gloom!"

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